

Opponent Written Testimony on HB 2438
House Committee on Elections
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Chair proctor, Members of the Committee,

Online Voter Tools Are Secure And Necessary

Online voter tools have been used securely for over a decade in Kansas, and they fill a serious need. I have personally used ksvotes.org to verify my election information as recently as 2025 when voting for City Council. This is an invaluable tool which, frankly, the State should have created.

Address these concerns by creating better access tools.

If the concerns cited are important to the committee, I urge you to create secure, accessible options to expand voter registration in a way that addresses those concerns. You could consider solutions like automatic voter registration, which ensure fair and equitable access to elections for those who have the right to vote by eliminating the need for registration altogether.

Erasing access is blatant voter suppression.

Until similar tools are widely available to ensure access, do not silence the voices of your constituents by erecting new barriers. Do not obstruct everyday Kansans from participating in our democratic republic. We see bills like this for what they are: naked attempts to rig the voting system and attempts to shield politicians from reckoning with the people who hired them to govern. Suppressing voter participation never serves the public.

Conclusion

Because the House Elections Committee has presented no plan to address the reduction in voting access this bill would create, and because this bill offers no concrete guidance on how existing voting tools may achieve the endorsement of the Secretary of State prior to the Midterms, I urge you to oppose HB 2438.